U. H. J. towards the latter end of September next that several or most p. 665 of the Seamen as Evidences are bound to Prosecute which should they be Obliged to stay (prosecute) so long in the Country would prove the ruin and utter overthrow of the Voyage & the Ship in all Probability rendered incapable of ever making a return to the Great damage of the said Merchants Owners and others as aforesaid

Your petitioner therefore humbly prays that the said Evidences (in perpetuam rei memoriam) may be admitted to Give in their Testimony upon Oath to such Person or Persons as your Excellency shall think fit to Empower to take the same or otherwise that your Excellency will Graciously please to Grant a special Commission of Oyer and Terminer to such Persons also as your Excellency shall think fit for the speedy bringing to Trial the said Criminal upon such Evidences as the said Sea men can give Viva Voce therein whereby they may be enabled to Proceed to the Loading of the said Ship with all Possible expedition in Order to set forth with the Effects on his Voyage Homeward Bound for the Benefit and Relief of the said Merchants Owners &c who are like to be Extraordinary great Sufferers unless redressed by your Excellency

Ordered that Special Commission of Oyer and Terminer be directed to Col^o Nehemiah Blakiston Col^o Henry Jowles M^r Robert Mason M^r John Dent M^r William Blakiston and M^r Philip Briscoe or any three or more of them whereof the said Col^o Blakiston and Col^o Jowles or one of them to be one for the Trial of Andrew Crookshank at the City of Saint Marys on the 20th day of June instant and notice thereof to be sent to the Sheriff of Somerset County to have there at the same time the Body of the said Andrew Crookshank his Prisoner and also to Summons the Evidences on behalf of their Majestys against him Venire also to the Sheriff of Saint Marys County for Grand and Petty Jurys

Brought hither by the Speaker of the House and presented to the Board an Act of Repeal of all Laws heretofore made in this Province and for Confirming all Laws made in this Province this General Assembly ready and thus endorsed here.

By his Excellency the Governor and Council June the 6th 1692.

Assented to by this Board

Signed p Order
J LLewellin Clk.